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In the claims:

1. (Currently amended) A system for facilitating the implementation by a customer of adding a particular network element to be managed by a telecommunications network element manager or of modifying the management of the particular network element already being managed by the element manager, comprising:

a terminal data interface receiving an I/O source document specific to the particular network element, the document being converted to HTML format and provided to the customer,

said data interface including an adapter database toolkit, wherein the toolkit responds to a command from the customer to

extract information about Transaction Language 1 (TL1)~~TL1~~ commands from the HTML source document and

generate from the TL1 command information an XML file for to be used by an
adapter database that is specific to the particular network element; and

an operator interface, wherein the terminal data interface uses the adapter database to provide at the operator interface a command window which facilitates parameter entry for and construction of TL1 commands.

2. (canceled)

3. (previously presented) The system of Claim 1 wherein said toolkit extracts information about TL1 commands from the HTML source document, including extracting a command function menu.

4. (previously presented) The system of Claim 1 wherein the I/O source document converted to HTML format includes hidden tags inserted to flag specific adapter database data.

5. (currently amended) The ~~NETWORK ELEMENT TERMINAL DATA INTERFACE (NETDI)~~ system of Claim 1 wherein said operator interface comprises a response window.

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6. (currently amended) The ~~NETWORK ELEMENT TERMINAL DATA INTERFACE (NETDI)~~ system of Claim 1 wherein said operator interface comprises a command creation panel.

7. (currently amended) The ~~NETWORK ELEMENT TERMINAL DATA INTERFACE (NETDI)~~ system of Claim 5 wherein said command creation panel comprises a command code tree.

8. (currently amended) The ~~NETWORK ELEMENT TERMINAL DATA INTERFACE (NETDI)~~ system of Claim 5 wherein said command creation panel comprises a command parameter panel.

9. (currently amended) The ~~NETWORK ELEMENT TERMINAL DATA INTERFACE (NETDI)~~ system of Claim 8 wherein said command creation panel comprises a command string panel.

Claims 10 – 94 (canceled)